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SUBJ: SECRETARY VISIT -- REQUESTS FOR SEPARATE MEETINGS

1. FONOFF HAS RELAYED TO EMBASSY TWO REQUESTS FOR SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER DURING HIS VISIT TO TOKYO:
A. FINANCE MINISTER OHIRA WOULD LIKE TO GET TOGETHER WITH THE SECRETARY PRIVATELY AND INFORMALLY AFTER ONE OF THE TWO FORMAL DINNERS SCHEDULED NOV. 19 AND 20. IF THAT IS NOT POSSIBLE, HE WOULD LIKE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A BRIEF PRIVATE MEETING AT ANOTHER TIME DURING THE VISIT.
B. MITI MINISTER NAKASONE WOULD LIKE A 30 MINUTE PRIVATE MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY AT HIS CONVENIENCE. FONOFF SUGGESTED THAT ONLY FEASIBLE PERIOD FOR SUCH A MEETING WOULD APPEAR TO BE AFTERNOON NOV. 19.

- 2. FONOFF (FIRST NORTH AMERICAN DIVDIR MATSUURA) MADE CLEAR MINISTRY MERELY RELAYING REQUESTS THEY HAD RECEIVED FROM TWO MINISTERS.
- 3. COMMENT: I AM SURE BOTH MINISTERS DESIRE ONLY TO CONTINUE THEIR PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCE WITH THE SECRETARY, BUT IN LIGHT OF THE CURRENT SENSITIVE DOMESTIC POLITICAL SECRET

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SITUATION AND BOTH MINISTERS' POSITIONS AS LEADING CON-

TENDERS FOR SUCCESSION TO THE PRIME MINISTERSHIP, I
RECOMMEND THAT THE SECRETARY NOT REPEAT NOT SEE THEM SEPARATELY.
THEY WILL IN ANY EVENT BE PRESENT AT DIET MEMBERS' RECEPTION FOR
THE PRESIDENT NOV. 19 AND POSSIBLY OTHER FUNCTIONS DURING
THE VISIT. IT WOULD BE PLAUSIBLE TO PLEAD TIME PROBLEMS
IN DECLINING THESE REQUESTS.

4. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS. HODGSON

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